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WILLIAMSBURG, WHITLEY COUNTY.

—Rev. R. C. Medaris was here on a visit last week.

—The Jones Lumber Co. are putting in a new boom.

—Last Sunday communion services were held at the Congregational church.

—Robbie, the little son of Mr. B. F. Phillips, is very sick with pneumonia.

—There has been a tide in the river for more than a week now and our saw mills are well supplied with logs.

—The Williamsburg Theatrical Company gave an entertainment at Mt. Ash last Friday night to a good crowd.

—Mr. E. E. Wilson went over to Newcomb, Tenn., last Friday. Mr. D. R. Clark, of Jackson, is here attending court.

—Miss Ann Finley spent Sunday in Barboursville visiting Miss Nannie Anderson. G. M. Freeman was at Keel's Station last week.

—Mr. E. N. Ingram left Tuesday for Pineville, where he will make his future home. Wm. Vaughn, who has been visiting his parents here for some weeks, returned to his home at Jackson Wednesday. Miss Minnie Leforce has accepted a position in Gentry & Co.'s dry goods store.

—Circuit court convened Monday with Judge Morrow on the bench and about the usual array of lawyers on hand. Among those visiting are C. R. Brock, of London; E. H. Powers and J. J. Marrs, Jacksboro, Tenn.; W. S. Dickson and S. G. Heiskel, of Knoxville; John Catron and John Hays, Barboursville. There is a large docket, but from the progress Judge Morrow is making, two weeks will find most of the cases disposed of.

—On last Friday Mr. T. C. Weaver, a member of the Allen Lumber Co., of Pleasant View, fell while he was attempting to remove a pile of logs in the Clear Fork river and was caught between two logs that were rolling and instantly killed, his head being badly crushed. Mr. Weaver was from Pennsylvania and had not been here quite a year. His body was taken to his home for burial. He leaves a wife and two daughters to mourn his death.

—On last Tuesday afternoon as the north-bound accommodation train reached a point known as the Devil's Slide, about one mile south of Williamsburg, a saw log rolled from a flat car and struck against the bank, throwing the car from the track and eight others, which were badly wrecked. The engine and the passenger coaches, which were in the rear, were not derailed. No one was hurt much, yet all were considerably shaken and scared. The track was badly torn up, but the passengers were transferred and taken on in a freight car to Corbin.

BROODHEAD.

—Judge J. G. Carter, of Mt. Vernon, was in town Tuesday taking depositions.

—A. G. Talbot had his trial Saturday and the jury fined him \$50 for the unlawful sale of whiskey.

—The Rev. A. J. Pike went to Waynesburg last Saturday to fill his appointment with the church there.

—H. E. Albright went over to Bee Lick and spent Monday night with Dr. S. C. Perkins, his brother-in-law.

—The P. M. at this place has moved the post-office to the Frith House, recently vacated by Mr. Dan Slaughter.

—Mr. Henry Mitchell has moved out of town to the Woodall place. O. Bowers and brother took a business trip to Stanford Tuesday.

—The members of the Brodhead brass band are making an effort to secure the services of Prof. James Griffin, of Evansville, as teacher for awhile.

—Marian Newcomb, who lives near this place, brought a young chicken to town Tuesday which had four well developed feet and legs and three wings.

—George Hardin, a young man of this town, bought of Wm. Colyer & Co. two nice sets of tombstones to have put up at Crab Orchard in memory of his grandfather and mother.

—Mr. E. L. Painter is off the road a few days, visiting his father and mother, and some say his best girl. Mr. W. F. Baker, of the Big Glades, was in town Tuesday.

—W. T. Cutshall, a wholesale jeweler of Cincinnati, was here Tuesday exhibiting his samples. E. K. Pike, of Pine Hill, was up to see his brother, A. J. Pike, and spent Tuesday night with him.

—Dr. J. M. Clark, of our town, says that the people of this neighborhood are distressingly healthy, with the exception of a few chronic grumblers. John Frith went to Stanford Tuesday to see Dr. Carpenter. Mr. Per Hiett was in town Tuesday, looking well.

—The board of magistrates met at Mt. Vernon last Monday and fixed the county levy as follows: Current expenses of county, 15c; pauper idiot tax, 5c; road tax, 10c; poll tax, \$1; total, \$1.30. Our county is out of debt and has a surplus of \$284.50 to put to the current expenses of 1893.

—Campbellsville went dry Monday by a majority of 28.

DANVILLE.

—Dark colored, hairless worms are eating the leaves and fruit from currant bushes here.

—Hannah Gardner and Babe Parks were each fined \$5.00 in the police court Tuesday for fighting.

—Peter Gilcher's new residence on 3d street is about done and Mr. G. will move in in a few days.

—Sol Marcoson, the renowned violinist, held forth to a good house at the Opera House Tuesday night.

—Mrs. Bessie McGowan and daughter, Miss Lula, have returned from Mississippi, where they have been all winter.

—Rev. E. H. Pearce, D. D., of this place, has been offered the presidency of Kentucky Wesleyan College, at Winchester.

—Dr. Fayette Dunlap, J. C. Bogle and H. J. Cowan attended the meeting of the State Medical Society at Frankfort this week.

—Mr. C. E. Kincaid, of Frankfort, was in town several days this week. Miss Mattie Duke left Tuesday to visit Mrs. T. L. Jefferson and Miss Cox, of Louisville.

—A birthday party, musicale and spelling bee, for the benefit of the Ladies Columbian Club, of Danville, was given at the home of Mrs. Samuel G. Boyle, Wednesday evening.

—Mr. Dud Cowan has returned from Sanibel Island, Fla., where he has been all winter. He brought with him a considerable quantity of beautiful seashells, which he has distributed among his friends here.

—Steve Drye, colored, convicted of totting a pistol unlawfully in Danville several months ago, was brought to town Tuesday by Chief Helm from Junction City. The judgment, amounting to \$51.40, was replevied.

—The news of Mr. Sam Engleman's death at Stanford was heard here, where he had many friends, with sorrow. The party who saw Mr. E. "make a movement as if to draw a pistol" has been found, now where is the one who "heard and communicated" the awful threats made by deceased.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thomas are absent on a visit to friends in Southern Kentucky and Tennessee. Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Caldwell, of Huntsville, Ala., have returned to their home, after a visit to relatives in this county. Rev. Frank Cooley has been called to the pastorate of the Episcopal church here. He came from Louisville.

—Bob Jones (Shorty), Babe Parks, et al, (the Latin scholar of the police court, says et al means eight in all), beat a crap case in the police court Wednesday morning. The case was beaten, not especially because the witnesses for the defense were regarded as reliable, but because those for the prosecution were regarded as less so.

—Miss Lizzie Irvine, a daughter of the late Judge James Irvine, of Danville, died Wednesday night at Atlanta, Ga., whither she went a few weeks ago on a visit. Her sister, Mrs. J. M. Wallace, of this place, was with her when she died. The remains arrived here on Thursday morning and were interred in the cemetery. Services by Rev. C. B. H. Martin, of the Second Presbyterian church.

—Miss Ida Stone, of Burgin, and Mr. Hiram P. Van Pelt, deputy post-master at Danville, were married at Burgin Wednesday at 5 p. m. The ceremony took place at the residence of Mr. George Hutchings and was performed by Rev. B. F. Taylor, of Mercer county, formerly Danville. The bride is a daughter of George Stone, of Mercer. The attendants were Miss Callie Stone and Mr. J. R. Rose, of Mercer; Miss Hallie Van Pelt and Mr. Thomas Eason, of Danville.

CHURCH AFFAIRS.

—Rev. Frank Talmage, son of the New York divine, was installed in the ministry in Philadelphia Sunday, his father assisting.

—Rev. David Kammerer, the oldest active minister in the United States, died at Wooster, O. He was 91 and had preached 71 years.

—The Young Men's Meeting will be held at Odd Fellows' Hall Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, that building having been permanently secured as a meeting place.

—At the beginning of the century the Bible was accessible to but one-fifth of the population of the world. Now it may be read by nine-tenths of the people of the globe, so rapidly has its translation been carried on.

—When Sam Jones asked at his Owensboro meeting Wednesday that all who would work and vote to put whisky out stand up, a mighty host that no man could number arose, and the prospect is that Owensboro will be a dry town before many moons, that is if the spirit which now possesses its people lasts longer than the meeting.

—Mrs. Catherine Duffy, of New York, fell dead when she heard that Carlyle Harris, the wife murderer, had been electrocuted.

LANCASTER, GARRARD COUNTY.

—A petition has been filed in the Garrard circuit court to prohibit the holding of an election upon the proposition as to whether or not the local option law now in force in civil district No. 3 of Garrard county shall become inoperative, and a motion will be made at Harrodsburg, where Judge Sautley is now holding court, on the 19th inst., for a writ of prohibition, prohibiting the officers from holding the election. The petition is based upon the ground that the act of the Legislature under which the election was ordered is unconstitutional.

—Mr. C. C. Stormes, one of Lancaster's oldest and most highly respected citizens, died Tuesday, the 9th, and was buried in the cemetery at this place on Wednesday, the 10th. Funeral services were held at the residence of the deceased, conducted by Elder J. C. Frank. Mr. Stormes was a good citizen and discharged all of his duties faithfully. His son and widow have the sympathy of the people generally. He was a consistent member of the Christian church and was one of the trustees of the town at the time of his death.

—A dastardly attempt at rape was committed in lower Garrard Monday evening. George Huffman, a long-legged white man, went to the house of his sister, Mrs. Mayer, formerly Mrs. Colyer, and enticed her little six-year-old daughter some distance from the house, when he made a criminal assault upon the child. Her screams attracted the attention of the mother and Huffman made his escape and is still at large. A diligent search is being made for him, and when caught the prospects are good for his wearing a hemp necktie. A well-fitting noose would undoubtedly be becoming to him.

CRAB ORCHARD.

—Our town has been quiet for the last few days, so news this week is scarce.

—Mrs. Maggie Lord, nee Harris, and her sweet little girl are at Mr. Sam Hardin's. Mrs. Lord is in delicate health.

—Miss Martha Holdam, is not so well at this writing. Her many friends hope that a few sunny days will greatly benefit her health. Mr. Henry Pettus is at home from Virginia on account of ill health.

—On next Thursday night there will be a Bible-study class organized at Mrs. W. K. Buchanan's, to which all are kindly invited. Its object is to study the Scriptures and draw church members into a closer walk.

—On Tuesday, May 30, at 10 o'clock A. M., the Lieut. Severance Post, G. A. R., will decorate the graves of all soldiers buried at Crab Orchard. Everybody invited and all who can do so are requested to bring flowers. Public speaking and other interesting exercises. Wm. Severance, J. T. O'Hair, K. D. Noaks, Thos. Chappell, Granville Haley, committee.

—Last week Miss Lizzie Gormley called us to see her pets. In a wire basket that last year served for vines, a little sparrow had made its nest and hatched its brood. The mother bird would fly to Miss Lizzie's hand and take the bread offered, dividing with her little ones and with no sign of fear at any one's approach. I could not help thinking as I watched them how much can be accomplished by kindness. There is no bird or animal, however wild and vicious its nature, but can be made gentle and submissive by kindness. As with these, so with our fellow beings. There are often times when kindness rightly applied will serve as the turning point for the better in some human life. Are we all doing everything we can to help each other upward in the social scale? Are we speaking kindly of each other, doing all the good we can?

MIDDLEBURG.

—Thomas Sluder, a very old citizen of the Mt. Salem neighborhood, died Friday.

—T. J. Spears had four buck lambs, which he castrated, and in less than 36 hours they were all dead.

—Rev. Vines will preach the commencement sermon at Janie Wash Institute Sunday at the Baptist church.

—There was a general dog-killing at Grove one day last week. They had made a raid upon A. G. Falconberry's sheep.

—John Tarter, of Trace Fork, was drunk on the streets Saturday and laid in front of Collinsworth & Co.'s store all night. He claims to have been relieved of a considerable amount of money, but as he is said to be half crazy, even when sober, no one believes his story.

—As Misses Belle Coulter and Etta Elliott were returning from Hustonville Saturday they attempted to cross the river, which was swollen by the rain that had fallen that day. The buggy in which they were riding caught against a log and they were held fast in the middle of the stream, with the water a foot deep in the vehicle. John Spears, a daring young man, happened to be near, heard the screams of the young ladies and seeing their peril, plunged in, and after some effort, brought them to the shore. John says they were two of the worst frightened creatures that it has been his lot to see and is satisfied that he has two friends that will stick to him under any and all circumstances.

LIBERTY.

—In our last we told of our clever young merchant, Winston H. Wilkinson, Miss Lula Page, of Columbia, and Miss Edna Murphy, of this place, being on a visit to Cincinnati. Nobody dreamed in this section that it was any but a pleasure excursion to see the sights in the city, but it turned out to be a wedding trip. While there Wins. and Miss Edna Murphy were united in marriage. They all returned last Sunday night. From Miss Lula we learn that she had a fine time and we suppose Wins. and Miss—that is Mrs. Edna—are well pleased, though they look bashful and don't say much.

—There was a meeting of stockholders of the Liberty and Middleburg turnpike road company at this place Saturday for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and other business. James A. Estes was elected president, and J. V. Coffey, George Wolford, Q. R. Jones, J. W. Whipp and R. T. Pierce were elected directors, with T. W. Wash secretary. A dividend of 17 per cent. was announced, which shows this pike in a flourishing condition. Also on the same day the stockholders of the Liberty and Carpenter's Creek turnpike road company held a meeting at the same time and place for the same purpose, when W. C. Myers was re-elected president, R. T. Pierce, J. W. Moore, W. F. Riggins, John E. Stapp and Grubbs directors. Their annual settlement was also made.

—The examining trial of Beriah Belton for the killing of his brother-in-law, James Harrison, on Casey's Creek a week or two since was continued on account of the absence of witnesses until Tuesday last, when both parties appeared before Judge Myers and announced to be ready for trial. Commonwealth's Attorney Q. C. Godbey and A. R. Clarke appeared for the prosecution and Geo. E. & Boyle Stone for the defendant. There was a large number of persons present from the vicinity of the killing and a number of witnesses on hands for both sides. One witness for the commonwealth, James Beans, was examined, he being the only one present when the killing was done. Another one was called and testified that the killing was done in Casey county. The counsel for the defense here agreed to submit the case to the court, when that body immediately announced an acquittal. As there are adverse criticisms upon the hasty manner in which the case was disposed of, and it is understood that Harrison's friends are very much dissatisfied, the substance of Bean's testimony will be given. According to Bean's statement he and Beriah Belton were in a new ground near the public road sawing logs. Harrison came up, picked up an axe and commenced hacking on an old chestnut log. After a little he laid the axe against the log, stepped over the log and asked Belton why he and the women couldn't get along any better the other day. Belton drew up his shirt sleeve and replied: "I do not know that it is any of your business." Harrison started to draw his coat, advancing toward Belton. Belton jumped backed and got hold of a maul. Harrison drew his coat back to its proper place, turned and picked up the axe and again advanced. They both struck nearly the same time, Belton striking Harrison on the head and Harrison striking the handle of the maul. Harrison fell to his knees with one arm over the chestnut log. Harrison's provocation, from what your correspondent learned from what he deems reliable sources, was as follows: A day or two before, Harrison's wife and another neighbor woman were on a visit to Belton's house. The neighbor woman complained of being sick. Belton made a remark too indecent for publication. His wife sharply reproved him for talking so before the women, when he replied: "It is my own house and I will say what I please; if they don't like it they can take their dirty brats and leave." The foregoing may not be in the exact words as given, but it is sufficiently accurate for the reader to understand the merits of the case. It is claimed by those who object to the hasty acquittal that the commonwealth should have had the opportunity to present the points of law in the case, even if the court had made up its mind; that there was no hostile demonstration on the part of Harrison until Belton's provoking reply, "I don't know that it is any of your business," and then that Belton's life was not seriously endangered, as Harrison was advancing upon him unarmed until his antagonist drew the deadly maul upon him.

MATRIMONIAL MATTERS.

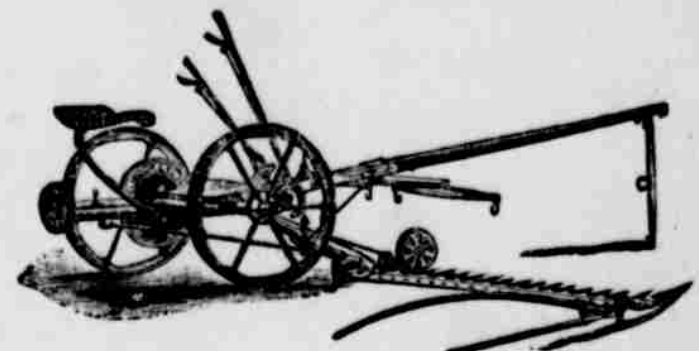
—Rumor has it that a staid old squire of the Preachersville neighborhood is soon to wed a handsome brunette of the Shelby City vicinity. The exact date has not yet been "Given" us.

—Peter Gruber, better known as "Rattlesnake Pete," of Oil City, Pa., has had a suit of clothes made out of the skins of 200 rattlesnakes. He has been handling the reptiles for years and it is said that he really loves his numerous pet snakes.

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